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David Bouchard navigates the streets of Portland as a blind man in a video made to highlight walking experiences in the city.

## Videos Promote Pedestrian Safety

A series of eight videos highlighting the pedestrian experiences of Portlanders with differing abilities navigating the city are now available to watch online to promote safety and improve the city's walkability.

The 1-3 minute short films sponsored by the Portland Bureau of Transportation were screened last Tuesday with the filmmakers, subjects, and general public at the University of Oregon's White Stag Block, downtown.

The videos were made in conjunction with the school's Multimedia Journalism Master's students, and included work by Portland Observer reporter Danny Peterson.



Anjeanette Brown

Some highlights include a video that follows David Bouchard, a man with blindness, as he navigates the hardships of getting around on foot.

Filmmaker Mary Ann Funk captures in harrowing detail the moment when Bouchard braves crossing the street with-

out a crosswalk in outer east Portland, where traffic lights are sometimes far and few between.

Another story by filmmaker Gordon Klco sees Anjeanette Brown face the challenges of "walking while black" in the northeast Portland neighborhood she grew up in, now radically altered by gentrification.

Another video about bird-house builder George Mayes highlights how he gets around with the custom bicycle cart that carries his creations.

The videos can be seen on [pedpdx.com](http://pedpdx.com), the website for Portland's citywide pedestrian plan called Vision Zero to eliminate traffic-related deaths and injury.

## Church Invite for Easter Services

Historic Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church, 3138 N. Vancouver Ave., invites the community to a series of programs to celebrate Easter and Holy Week.

On Friday, March 30, there will be Good Friday worship service featuring guest speaker Dr. James Forbes, pastor emeritus of the Riverside Church in New York City.

On Easter Sunday, April 1, a sunrise service will start at 7 a.m. and be followed by a free Brotherhood Union Easter brunch. Reservations are required by calling the church office at 503-282-9496. At 9:30 a.m., a Sunday School theatrical depiction of "The Lord Supper" will take place. At 10:45 a.m., the annual Family and Friends Easter Sunday Worship and Communion Service will begin with Pastor

J.W. Matt Hennessee officiating, and the Junior Angel Children's Easter Chorale rendering music selections, along with the Easter Gospel Mass Choir and the High Praise Dance Team.

Parking is available at the Legacy Emanuel Parking Lot located at North Monroe and Vancouver. For those needing transportation, you can call the church to sign up for free shuttle service.



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Theme:

*"Marching Toward The Beloved Community: For Justice, Peace And Elimination Of Poverty"*

Join Us On Wednesday, April 04, 2018 at 5:00 P.M.

*(Family Oriented, Non-Violent March)*

- **5:00 P.M. Gather at the Japanese American Historical Plaza (NW Naito Parkway at Davis St.)**
- **5:30 P.M. March across the Steel Bridge to MLK statue (at MLK Blvd. & NE Holladay St.)**
- **6:30 P.M. Rally at MLK Blvd. & NE Holladay**

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